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A perfect woman, nobly planned—
To war, to comfort and command;
And yet a spirit still, and bright,
With something of an angel light.

William Wordsworth

A poet's imagination is a sort of Elfin Tower, and he generally seats woman on the apex. I don't object to that. For the real creature no altitude is too great. But the text mixes her up in a sort of poetical paradox. First it assumes perfection. Next it makes her in turn a lighthouse, a comforter and a major general. Then, with all the array of formidable attributes, it paints her as a bright spirit, illuminated with "an angel light."

Now, inspired poet, what kind of a woman are you giving us? We want the genuine article. You can put in all the angelic qualities you please. You can make the spiritual illumination never so bright. You can turn on the electric light of truth, and your dynamo cannot be too powerful. The real woman will stand the test. But don't attempt to make her at the same time a universal mentor and a quasi military commander. The incongruity would be too much. It would destroy the woman. Keep her on a pedestal if you will, but not out of reach. There is very little use for angels in this practical life. There is too much rough and tumble here. The wings are apt to be put out of joint. We want just enough of the angelic to emphasize character, but not enough to neutralize the combativeness necessary to win her way in the world. And I suppose, after all, that is the kind of woman indicated in the text. If I were not so old, I don't have someone to "warm, to comfort, and command," I should like to talk to the young women. Pardon me, I mean the younger women. All women of course are young, but some are younger than others. Young ladies, I wish you would study the text and the poem from which it was taken. That and like productions will give a good conception of real womanhood.

What is your idea of a "perfect woman, nobly planned?" I think the foundation was laid in the original plan of creation. Do you remember the description, in Revelations 21:3-23, of the foundations of the walls of the New Jerusalem? Each section was built of precious stones, the combinations suggesting the perfection of beauty, purity and worth. Something of that idea comes into the mind when we think of womanly character in its full development and fruition. The loveliness, purity and freshness of life can have no more perfect embodiment. It is the absolute completion of humanity.

The details of the attributes which make up perfect womanly character are infinite. They are innate, and can be destroyed or neutralized only by perversity born of extraneous evil. But something external is needed to complete the structure. The idea of perfection includes correlation. No being is perfect that lives only to itself. The most complete mechanism is useless without the motive power by which it is to give to the world its benefactions. Hence, to make the "perfect woman, nobly planned," she should also be nobly manned. Young woman it was never intended that you should go through life alone. Some of you may have to, but it is sincerely hoped that none of you desire to. But marriage should never involve sacrifice. Womanly dignity never should be lowered for the sake of any alliance. Nor is such self immolation necessary. There is more truth than we generally suppose in the idea of affinity. There is companionship for all. Somewhere, in someone's soul, your picture is framed. So learn to wait. Haste has cut off many an affinity and destroyed many a sweet existence. Life can attain no higher dignity than marriage, but it is not the Alpha and Omega. Peace without honor is only another state of war. Cowardly women are exceptional, but there are some of them. The title "old maid" is too much of a bogey. People admire an old maid who has perferred service to sacrifice. If there is one creature in the world for whom, more than another, I would build a pyramid, it is a woman who has been brave and noble enough to wait for the affinity who did not come, or to be true to the one who has come and gone. If she hasn't that kind of courage; if she is not endued with that spirit of constancy; if she has not the character and strength to assert her individual womanhood against all the demands of custom and expediency, there is not enough respectable ma-

terial in her to cut up into rag dolls.

Yet I would have the idea of marriage a part of her education. She should be taught that it is a sacred relation, to be wished and prayed for like any other promised blessing. She should know that such a life is not only doubly blessed, but that the strength of union is nowhere more fully exemplified. In this view there is intense practical meaning in the words of the text, "to warm, to comfort and command." There is nothing like a woman's intuition to warn man from the innumerable pitfalls that beset his path. There is nothing like her sympathy and kindly help to comfort him in sorrow or pain. There is nothing like her purity and dignity of character to command allegiance to the truth, and to compel, so to speak, the development in him of whatever is good.

How shall that grand lesson be taught? First, by laying aside all false delicacy, and making conversation and plans upon that subject, within sensible limits, as legitimate as any others. Second, by teaching her her true value, and that the best and surest pathway to success is to be true to herself. Did you ever know such a woman, one who always has been true to her womanhood, to be bitten by the frosts of suspicion?

Victor Hugo tells us of certain diaphanous creatures who inhabit the sea, which are so transparent that, as they glide along beneath the waves, they cast no shadow because the sunlight shines through them without obstruction. So the human soul may be so transparent that the sunlight of truth and love may shine through it and it shall cast no shadow beyond. Perhaps something of the kind was in Wordsworth's mind when he wrote that beautiful poem. It was no dream. People often sneer at the idea of transcendental character. They say flippantly, "I would rather be a woman than an angel." Why not try to be both? They are not so widely separated. If you are the one you are fairly fitted to be the other. We are accustomed to associate angelic natures with another and a higher sphere. That is wrong. The world is full of such natures. All they need is direction and development. If you would discern the analogy, clothe yourselves in that robe of purity, then look within and look above, and you shall find it in the earth and in the stars. So motto it be.

Died.

Amanda, wife of H. W. Bennett, at her home on the North Side, Saturday, Dec. 31. Death resulted from cerebral hemorrhage. Mrs. Bennett was 74 years of age and had been a sufferer from paralysis for several months. The funeral was held at the Baptist church Monday afternoon, Rev. Blake conducting the ceremonies. The pall bearers were selected from the ranks of John A. Logan Post, G. A. R.

Many New Settlers for Barron County.

The following item, taken from the Evening Wisconsin of a recent date, goes to show that the people of Barron county have been well awake during the past year, in the matter of inducing immigration to their county:

The state board of immigration will soon issue its report. It will contain an estimate of the settlement and development of Barron county since January 1, 1897, made from statements of the chairman, town clerks and assessors of the several towns in the county and also from the land agents. The following table will show the number of new settlers in each town and the number of acres of land purchased by them since January 1 of this year:

Towns.	No. of settlers.	No. of acres.
Barron.....	21	2,400
Cedar Lake.....	19	150
Chetek.....	18	1,811
Clinton.....	33	6,929
Cumberland.....	104	14,175
Dallas.....	14	1,420
Dover.....	12	1,291
Maple Grove.....	25	3,101
Oak Grove.....	70	2,020
Prairie Farm.....	26	1,239
Rice Lake.....	20	1,827
Stanford.....	43	5,000
Stanley.....	15	1,227
Sumner.....	6	750
Turtle Lake.....	120	20,000
Vance Creek.....	41	1,020
Total.....	687	79,955

At the annual meeting of the Congregational Ladies Aid Society, held Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 28, the following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. E. S. Shepard.
Vice-President—Mrs. A. D. Daniels.
Secretary—Mrs. A. W. Shelton.
Treasurer—Mrs. S. S. Miller.
Member Ex. Com.—Mrs. W. E. Brown.

Wanted.

A lady boarder. D. B. STEVEN.

Back From the Gold Fields.

Tim Lennon, who left Rhinelander in company with Dr. F. L. Hinman, Perry Clark and Oliver Russell March 14, '98, returned here Tuesday night over the "Soo" road. While he had lost about 10 lbs. in weight and looked somewhat hollow-eyed, Tim says he never enjoyed better health in his life and speaks in most favorable terms of the healthfulness of the climate in the far north.

Tim and Perry Clark have three claims, each about 250 feet in length, all located on Sulphur Creek, a tributary of the Sulphur river which empties into the Indian river and thence into the Yukon river about 25 miles above Dawson City. Gold in dust and nuggets to the value of about \$8000 was brought back by Mr. Lennon, most of which was taken from one of the claims in which he is interested with Perry Clark. Among the nuggets is one weighing an ounce and one-half, which Tim had mounted in Seattle as a gift for G. H. Clark. It is a handsome specimen. Another nugget of the yellow metal of smaller size was attached to a scarf pin and made a pretty ornament.

But one of the claims had been worked so far, and the indications were most flattering. The thawing apparatus which was taken with the party has proven of great value. It has worked in a most satisfactory manner, and has thawed out the frozen ground much faster than the work could have been done by the old method.

The three claims in which Mr. Lennon is interested are located forty miles from Dawson City. Dr. Hinman and Oliver Russell being nearer that city by twenty-two miles, where they are working a claim which they purchased at auction and from which considerable pay dirt has been taken.

Tim and Perry occupy a hut near their claims, and although the temperature ranges from 15 to 20 degrees below zero suffer but little from the cold, wood being comparatively plentiful where they are situated, but scarce enough at Dawson to bring from \$25.00 to \$30.00 per cord, and scarce at that. The incentive for activity is strong even in a man little in sympathy with manual labor. It is a case of doing something in its literal sense all the time in order to keep the blood circulating.

He states that he did not mind the hardships of the trip out there much. Their baggage was transported from Sheep Camp, three miles down the Dyea trail, to the summit of Chilkoot Pass at three cents per pound, and from the summit the balance of the trip was comparatively easy. From Bennett Lake along the Yukon river the scenery was beautiful. The banks of the big river were lined with bushes weighted with roses, which with the green grass and foliage formed a picture long to be remembered. This journey was made in the month of June, however, when vegetation was at its best.

The boat which the party took from here in sections served its purpose well after being put together, but proved to be rather unwieldy when going against the current.

Among the curiosities brought back is a mastodon's tooth weighing something over two pounds. It was found by Mr. Lennon forty-five feet underground, after the dirt had been thawed out, and in the immediate neighborhood bones of enormous size were discovered.

Mr. Lennon was accompanied upon his return by J. B. Tompkins, of Wausau, who had spent a year in the gold fields. They left Dawson Nov. 25 and traveled about 700 miles on foot to Skaguay, their outfit being hauled by four of the dogs that originally accompanied the party. They took the steamer at Skaguay for Seattle.

Billy Andrews, of Wausau, and two brothers named Chetek, from Indiana, hold claims adjoining those owned by Messrs. Lennon and Clark, and work is being pushed as rapidly as circumstances will permit on all of them. The frost king has everything in his grip where the claims are situated, the ground being frozen the year round as far down as one can dig. In the summer it thaws somewhat, but the frost is taken out of the earth but a trifle over two feet, and below that the frozen ground appears.

Many hearts were made glad by Mr. Lennon's arrival for he brought with him many letters to waiting ones, among them being Mrs. F. L. Hinman, Mrs. A. P. Clark, Mrs. G. G. Hamilton, George Dean, G. H. Clark and several parties out of the city. Mr. Lennon will probably start on the return trip in about a month. His many friends are glad to see him back and to know that he is well.

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H. LEWIS.

Gray's old stand, Brown St.

Pleasant Party.

Last Thursday evening the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson Brown was made merry by the smiling faces and gay laughter of many young people, who had assembled there at the kind invitation of Miss Edith and Mr. Luther Brown for an informal "at home." The hours glided rapidly by to the lovers of the Terpsichorean art, and it was late hour before the host and hostess were bid adieu. The house was tastefully decorated in palms and carnations. During the course of the evening refreshments were served in the library.

Among those present were the Misses Shields, Ashton, Halladay, Miller, Van Tassel, Muriel and Pearl Curran, Anna and Helen Alban, Stevens, Smith, Ethel LaSelle, Kuchit, Joslin, Kemp, Lou and Virginia Vaughn; and the Messrs. Veadly, Ray Marks, Will Ashton, Deers, Higgins, Sam Walker, Kemp, Sterling, LaSelle, Chambers, Gilligan, Meiklejohn, E. Crowe.

Social Meeting of the Woman's Club.

A pleasant social event of the week was the luncheon and thimble bee given to the ladies of the Rhinelander Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. E. O. Brown Tuesday afternoon. Luncheon was served at one o'clock, about fifty ladies partaking. The menu consisted of potato muffins, pressed chicken, rolls, cream salad, olives, salted almonds, pecan and cake. It was daintily served in three courses, by the Misses Mabel Chafee, Helen Alban, Inez Van Tassel and Eva Kemp. The afternoon was spent in pleasant conversation, the meeting being purely a social one, and was pronounced by all a great success.

Stave and Heading Men Here.

L. D. and H. S. Adams, two gentlemen operating plants in Indiana for the manufacture of staves and headings, with whom Secretary Browne, of the Advancement Association, has been corresponding for several weeks, arrived in the city last Saturday with the view of looking over the timber in this section and deciding upon the question of locating a factory here in the event of the conditions being favorable and the supply of timber plenty and handy enough to warrant the building of a plant.

The gentlemen were taken in charge by competent woodsmen who were directed to show them what Onondia county has to offer in the basswood line.

Underwood Leaves the "Soo"

On Feb. 1, Frederick D. Underwood, after thirteen years of service as general manager of the Soo Line, will sever his connection with that system to take a position in the same capacity with the Baltimore & Ohio road.

The news of Mr. Underwood's decision did not surprise men in railroad circles who knew of the Eastern road's earnest efforts to secure his services, his far-reaching insight into all matters pertaining to the railroad industry making his acquisition by the B. & O. particularly desirable to the directors of that big system.

Mr. Underwood is a railroad manager par excellence, a master of all details bearing on the conduct and successful operation of a road. His important position with the Soo Line was due entirely to high worth and actual merit. The B. & O. is to be congratulated upon securing the services of so able a man.

The announcement of Mr. Underwood's successor has not yet been given out. Several gentlemen of recognized ability are mentioned for the position, among them being Wm. F. Fitch, general manager of the D. & S. & A. R'y; A. L. Moller, president of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Co. and E. Pennington, superintendent of the Soo Line.

UNDER NEW FLAG

The Stars and Stripes Are
Kissed by the Cuban
Breezes.

Spanish Sovereignty in the Gen
of the Antilles Comes
to an End.

Capt. Gen. Castellanos Formally
Transfers the Island to the
United States.

His Address and Response by Gen. Brooke
He Weeps as He Leaves
the Police.

Perfect Order Is Maintained In City of Havana During the Ceremonies, Which Were Simple.

Havana, Jan. 2.—The sovereignty of Cuba passed from Spain to the United States at noon Sunday. The form of the transfer was simple, consisting only of an exchange of speeches in the salon of the palace, the hauling down of the Spanish flag and the raising of the stars and stripes on the flagstaff on the palace roof. Salutes were fired from the heavy guns of the forts and the warships before and after the change of flags. The raising of the stars and stripes was greeted with cheers by the people who crowded the roofs of the buildings around the palace and the plaza.

No crowd was permitted to gather to the streets in the vicinity of the palace to witness the epoch-making function. At nine o'clock a guard composed of the Second battalion of the Tenth infantry marched into the Plaza de Armas, under command of Capt. Van Vliet. A formed around the square. Capt. G. Castellanos watched them with interest from the balcony of his apartment; as they entered the square and were stationed at all the streets approaching the plaza. No one was allowed to enter without a pass and all the doors of the palace facing the square were ordered to be closed. Only those who could enter on the roofs and balconies of the houses in the neighborhood saw what was going on before the palace. With guard was the band of the Second Infantry regiment, which had been selected for the occasion as the best band in the Seventh army corps. With the band were the buglers of the Eighth Tenth Infantry.

The weather was warm, the sun being at intervals through the billows and the soldiers in blue were forced to stand in the sun for the heat oppressive. The troops were formed in extended order around the square, three paces apart and the band was massed in front of the palace entrance across the street at the edge of the park.

The Preliminaries.
Brig. Gen. Clous, the master of ceremonies of the day, at 10:30 issued instructions to the officers who were

take charge of the various departments of the government at 12 o'clock. Dudley was assigned to the department of justice, officer of the secretary of captain general; Maj. J. W. V. Henderson, assistant general of the department of commerce and culture; Col. T. U. Ellis, of the treasury department, to the treasury; Frank B. Hanna, assistant adjutant general, to the department of public instruction, and Col. Burwood, of signal corps, to the public work department. Each of these officers was instructed thus: "On the firing of the last gun of the 21 at noon, you are to go to the place assigned you, and deposit possession of the office in the name of the United States." These orders were given under the arcade of the post. Each officer had with him a Cuban turpenter, a group of whom were stationed in dark clothes and warlike hats. In a carriage near by were American flags which were to be hoisted at various points.

At 11:10 Maj. Gen. Wade and Gen. Butler, of the American expedition commission, arrived from Madrid, on horseback, accompanied by their staffs. They were met by Gen. Clinch and Maj. T. Bentley, Gen. Ludlow and staff. At that moment Lucien J. Jerome, British consul, arrived. He was greeted by the American officers. Then John R. Brooke, governor of Cuba, and Maj. Gen. Ludlow, governor of Havana, accompanied by staffs, arrived at half past eleven. Gen. Brooke's chief of staff, R. Chaffee, Gen. Brooke's chief of staff, arrived. In each of the other carriages rode a Cuban with American officers. They were Guss, Isaac, Mario M.

At the carriage door, up the steps and into the company of the Thirty-Spanish infantry, under command, Don Rafael Salamanca, pro-tem, and the American band, up with "The Stars and Stripes," the Spanish colonel saluted the Americans. Enter the Palace.

At 11:15, Maj. Gen. Lee, militiaman of the province of Havana, his staff, joined Gen. Brooke. The latter then crossed the street to the

they retired there was a movement toward Gen. Brooke. Brig. Gen. Clous shaking him by the hand and saying: "Success to you." Gen. Brooke and Chaffee, with others, then stepped upon the balcony and looked upon the plaza. A big American flag flying over the arsenal was in full view, and farther away the stars and stripes could be seen over Calzadilla fortress. Meanwhile the officials of Spain were saying farewell to their nation's seat of power in the new world.

An Affectional Scene.
Turning to his officers, Gen. Castellanos said, with tears in his eyes: "Gentlemen, I have been in more battles than I have hairs on my head, and my self-possession has never failed me until to-day. Adieu, gentlemen, adieu."
Then, with arms upraised, he moved swiftly toward the stairway, escorted by Gen. Chazler and followed by his staff. As he crossed the plaza the American ladies, who were standing in the balcony of the barracks, waved their handkerchiefs, and Gen. Castellanos responded by bowing and kissing his hand toward them.

At the corner of the plaza, with tears in his eyes, he turned to take a final look at the palace. He could see the American generals on the balcony. Without a word he turned sharply in the direction of the wharf. History had reversed "the last sight of the mourner." At the deck Gen. Claus and Claflie bade him farewell, and the retiring captain general put off for the Spanish transport, *Isabel*, on which he will proceed to Matanzas. He will be accompanied by a battalion of the Thirty-eighth Infantry.

Gen. Brooke Holds a Reception. Maj. Gen. Brooke held a reception in the palace salon, the various officials paying their respects and promising allegiance to the United States. First came the doctors of the University of Havana, at their head President Hilarion. All wore black silk and velvet gowns and small octagonal black silk caps, with yellow tassels. All bowed their heads and bowed low. Next came the municipal authorities, headed by the mayor, and after them the economical society, formerly an advisory board to the captain general, with Senor Alfredo Zayas, its president, leading. Then came the freemen. Numerous speeches were made, to a few of which Gen. Brooke replied briefly.

Cubans Tender Aid.
At the close of the reception the Cuban generals were introduced. Gen. Brooke said to them: "I shall look to you to assist us in carrying out the purpose that brought us to these shores. It is a great trust and I shall expect most extraordinary assistance from

Gen. Inaret, who acted as spokesman for the Cuban officers, assured the United States military governor that everything in the power of the Cuban military officials would be done to let the Americans restore Cuba to a condition of peace and prosperity. The speech was translated by Capt. Inge, Virginia.

It was scarcely half past 12 o'clock when Gen. Brooke and his staff left the palace for the Hotel Inglaterra. Commodore Crowell and Capt. Sigismund Berry, Cowles and Foss, of the United States squadron, arrived a few minutes later, too late to pay their respects. The only incident of interest of the day

The only lady who witnessed the scene in the salon was Mrs. John Adams Fay of Boston, who was ushered into palace by mistake. When she was able to retire, Col. Gelpi, the captain general's chief of staff, begged her to remain. All the other ladies were signed places in the balcony of the racks overlooking the plaza.

Washington, Jan. 2.—The following brief cablegrams conveying the information of the transfer of Spanish sovereignty in Cuba to the Americans of the raising of the United States were received here from Gen. Wade in the afternoon.

"Havana, Jan. 1.—Secretary of War William Taft, the flag raised on the roof of the palace and other buildings in the city. Government property turned over by Gen. Castellanos to the military commission, and by it transferred to the United States.

"Havana, Jan. 1.—The President's argument: The government formally surrendered by Gen. Castellanos to American commissioners at the Brooke, and by it transferred to the United States. The American flag flies from Morro Castle, Cabana Heights, and other buildings. City ord.

Funeral of Romero.
Washington, Jan. 2.—Public funeral services over the remains of the Don Matias Romero, the ambassador from Mexico to the United States, died Friday morning, were held at Matthews church Sunday. Distinguished honor to the memory of the

ceased was manifested in the press at the ceremonies of President Meley, Vice President Holart, nearly all the members of the cabinet, representatives of the entire diplomatic corps, officers of the army and navy, and private citizens. At the conclusion of the service, the body was taken to Montmartre cemetery and placed temporarily in a vault pending its removal to the final resting place.

Manufacturers to Meet.
Cincinnati, Jan. 2.—Owing to a hearing from some prominent men expected at the annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers in this city January 21 & 22, the program has not yet been completed. Efforts are being made to secure a large attendance.

secure the attendance of President
Kinley as well as of others from W-
ilmington. Gov. Bushnell and Mayor
will deliver welcoming addresses.

Dropped Dead.
Youngstown, O., Jan. 2.—William J. Irish, manager for the Standard company at Olean, N. Y., dropped at a railway station here Sunday morning while waiting to take a train. He was

Roosevelt Takes the Oath.
Albany, N. Y., Jan. 2.—Governor Roosevelt took his oath of office at 10 o'clock Saturday.

oriental nations had hardly been negotiated before the scramble of the powers began. Russia was the first in the field, and to secure an outlet for its Trans-Siberian road and an open port the year round.

up of a German mission in Shantung was a pretext for Germany to make its grab of territory. It secured the port of K'iao Chow

and a heavy rain, which especially yielded in minerals. Great Britain, feeling itself overextended, especially by the action of Russia, made a temporary agreement with Japan, which was to give to the latter the island of Wok, which occupies a commanding position, and which was held by Japan as security for the payment of the Chinese indemnity. China promptly renounced the island, and France secured the lease of a bay in Chinese waters and also strengthened itself along the Tientsin frontier. From that time on, the Japanese did not dare to stir still another by losing a large area near Harbin-Kang, which gives it a still stronger foothold in southern China. These two wars, which were the result of the first and did employ a process of "diplomacy" which will be materially altered by revolution in various parts of the country and by excessive nationalism in the Chinese, have been the cause of the Japanese expansionism, and that the partition among the western powers is certain.

The number of events in Africa has been multiplying at such a rate that it has become impossible for the reader to follow the progress of all of the conflicting interests Great Britain and France in the south of the Tropic line. At the present time, we think the reader will be interested to know that the British and French in West Africa, long correspondents, ceased between the two governments, when at last resulted in a settlement of the boundary between the two governments in April the Anglo-French army, under Gen. Barchin, began its expedition up the Nile. In July, the British and French were defeated by the Sudanese army at the battle of Khartoum, the latter being the town which destroyed the German army made the Khartoum a fortress, have it British troops and the British of the British.

tinuous stretch of territory in East Africa from Cairo to Cape Town. This project further called for a British navy capable of patrolling the Indian Ocean and Lake Rudolph, which will soon have a junction with the forces at the sea. Meanwhile the French force in the May. Africa, which has been reduced to a small garrison, has been compelled to leave its Gen. Kitchener, an event which for a time threatened war in two France and Great Britain. The conflict, however, was averted by the British recognizing the impossibility of thwarting the British plan for a new empire in Africa. The French incidentary to the close of an African empire, which has been the hope of the French since the Niger country at the Atlantic side of the Sahara and the Nile, giving up its ambition for an empire in the Indian sea or the Indian Ocean. The British, however, have been forced to British, railroad will be in operation between Cairo and the Cape. Meanwhile, French-French boundary questions will refer to the first of the year. The British, however, will be in general interest in Africa. During the year is the refusal of the Transvaal to extend to Germany. The Transvaal, however, is the development of the Transvaal, which, at the close of the year, may see a revolution in the capital, which will

The Dreyfus agitation has kept France prominently and disgracefully before the whole world during the year, beginning with the anti-Semitic riots and trial of Zola in January and closing with the grant of revision by the court of cassation. The agitation has made French justice a mockery and a byword, and it has not been without its political influence upon the

government. The cabinet resigned in June and M. Drissen formed another. Divulgent resignations followed, and at the whole cabinet resigned in October on the question of the supremacy of the over the military power. A new cabinet headed by Drissen was formed by M. Drissen which came into power amid general revolution and continuous disorder, giving out of the attempted settlement of the Brest-Litovsk affair.

Germany, quondam of its engagements in China, has been mainly interested in the emperor's spectacular visit to the East and his hobnobbing with the sultans of Turkey, while Austria has been mourning the death of the emperor, who fell a victim to the knife of the anarchist Luchini in Geneva. Denmark has also lost its king, and happy Holland has a new one in accession of William III. The czar of Russia has delighted the Slaves by his visit to the Balkans, and the British have considered the suggestion of introducing

forces and at the same time has encouraged the hawk by immensely increasing his own army on the way. Cret has at last saved from further aggression by a key. The Mussulman outbreak among British authority led to prompt action by the great powers. The last Turkish sultan has been ejected from the island, the sultans on the island have been deposed and, with the consent of Great Britain, France and Russia, Prince George of Greece becomes governor, and the Cretans are free.

HELD BY RIOTERS.
Philippine Producers Reported
Wild State of Alarm—Severa
Towns in Danger.

Manila, Dec. 21.—Riots in the
islands are becoming serious and in-
creasing. Malabonites have also
entered several towns, killing and
imprisoning the loyal native au-
thorities. The town of Panique has
been attacked and taken by 500 malabon-
ites who dispersed Aguinaldo's troops.
It is said the dissatisfied Filipinos
number 3,000, and are increasing
because of the riots in the anti-
governments of the Indians to the
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all apartments, abusing their power by imposing excessive taxation. Working classes complain that they paid more taxes in six months to Franco's government than in 40 years to the Spanish government, and that they will be made slaves by the Communists. The island of Mallorca was occupied quietly by the Moslems. Their general hatred to

lives. Their general location is of the custom-house to an English named Fleming. In the absence of Americans, appointing him Inspector. The American expedition arrived Aguilafuente sent urgent orders to not to land over the town to the Indians, but the natives there are reasonable and friendly to the Americans. Cable lines to Bolivia are interrupted.

The St. Paul arrived here with Christmas boxes, which were allocated to the various regiments on Monday, and gave immense pleasure. Drinking shops were deserted, and enjoyed Christmas in Lorne. Complete order prevailed. Churches were held by all the chaplains in the Far West.

San Francisco, Jan. 2.—A p
storm prevails throughout the
ern portion of California with ex
dication of extending to the so
cous rains to-day. In addition to
a heavy fall of snow in the high
ludes.

New York, Jan. 2.—A. Vornell-known chess player, comp problems and who was a director of the Manhattan Chess club, died at his residence in Hoboken Sunday morn

Alexandria Bay, N. Y. The wife and three children Hagerman were drowned because the children broke through the ice. The mother perished in trying to save them.

two men named Cobb and Winger.

Henry Broke the Record
Port Said, Dec. 29.—The cargo
Dead. ship arrived here, en route for
Aden, one just 16½ days out from Suez,
Christmas day, breaking all naval records
in this year. point in her voyage.

Shelby, Tex., Dec. 21.—Arson in coffee by some one unknown the deaths of Frank Lomack and five children.

His wife
killed Sheriff J. W. Williams
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THE NEW NORTH.

W. C. OGDEN, Editor.

Frank Bryant is over from Hazelhurst today.

S. B. Gary, of Arbor Vitae, was here on business Saturday.

Mrs. Paul Browne spent the New Year holiday with friends in Milwaukee.

Miss Harriet Pier, of Milwaukee, was a Rhinelander visitor during the week.

Mrs. Frank Strope is visiting relatives and friends at Manawa this week.

Miss Lizzie McCarthy left last Friday for New London for a visit with her parents.

Attention is called to the tasty advertisement of the "Soo" Line in another column.

PINE LAND FOR SALE—2,500,000 feet of good pine in 37-S E.

E. S. SHEPARD.

Dan Gagen, of the town of Gagen, is in attendance at the county board meeting this week.

Miss Viola Cain returned last week from a visit of several weeks with her father in Maine.

Miss Cora Lery, of Antigo, is a guest at the home of her uncle, D. T. Mattison, this week.

Alfred and Harry Hunter entertained a company of twenty of their friends at their home last evening.

BLACKSMITH WANTED—at Clark, Lennon & Stapleton's snags at Monico. Apply at the hardware store, Rhinelander.

"A Trooper Galahad," a good story, interesting and clean, begins in this issue. You will find it on the last page. It is written by Capt. Charles King. Read it.

The Royal steel range is about the best thing in the way of a stove that is on the market. Clark & Lennon handle these ranges and sell lots of them. Call and see one.

Joe Pilon Jr., of Minocqua, is visiting his young friends in Rhinelander this week. He is the guest of Ed. Monnell. Joe is studying for the priesthood at Watertown, Wis.

E. S. Shepard left for Star Lake Monday where he has a job of surveying for a party of Chicago men who contemplate the erection of a summer resort and the laying out of grounds in that vicinity in the spring.

The Vilas County News of this week stated that Drs. Henry and Don O'Connor left for Green Bay Tuesday where they have decided to locate permanently and practice their professions, dentistry and medicine respectively.

Mr. L. Breck returned to his home at Merrill Saturday, after a ten days' visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Robt. Kurtz. He drove across country and was accompanied by his son Sam, Mrs. Breck remaining until Tuesday, when she left on the afternoon train.

P. E. Moore and wife spent the holidays with Mrs. Moore's parents at Portage. Mr. Moore returned Monday and Mrs. Moore will follow in a couple of weeks. Mr. Moore has accepted his old position as bookkeeper in Spafford & Cole's store and started in Tuesday.

Ole Berg, who in company with Dennis Hargren conducted a saloon on Brown street, died at the boarding house of T. H. Johnson last week of typhoid fever. The funeral was held at Mr. Johnson's, the ceremony being conducted by Rev. Damon, of the Free Methodist church.

Notwithstanding the small quantity of snow on the roads logging is progressing nicely in the different camps, the cold mornings making the laying of ice roads an easy matter which all lumbermen avail themselves of nowadays. A big load of logs can be hauled over the ice bottoms with but little exertion on the part of teams as compared to the pulling power required over snow.

A delightful musical event was that of the Mendelssohn Recital at Mrs. E. O. Brown's last evening. The recital was the third of a series to be given during the winter by Rev. Hitchcock and was highly enjoyable, the piano number with violin accompaniment by Miss McQueen, being especially pleasing. The paper on the eminent composer's life read by Mrs. J. D. Day was entertaining and instructive. Mrs. Day compared Mendelssohn as a musician with Longfellow and Lowell in letters and with St. Paul as a man. Mendelssohn's musical career began when he was five years of age and ended with his death at the age of 35. Mrs. Joseph Forsyth sang two fine selections, her rendition of the Ave Maria being much enjoyed. The extreme cold of the evening prevented the attendance that the merit of the recital deserved. About thirty were present.

The county board of supervisors has been in session since Tuesday, settling with the old county officers and accepting the bonds of those who will look after the county's work for the coming two years. The only other important business that has been disposed of up to the time of going to press, was letting the contract to make a tract index of the county. The job was awarded to Chas. Woodcock, he being the lowest bidder. Mr. Woodcock securing this work assures the county of a neat and first-class job.

Wanted.
A competent girl for general housework.
Mrs. A. G. HUNTER.

Girl Wanted.
For general housework, also a second girl. Inquire at H. Lewis' clothing store, Brown street.

Wanted.
1,000 cords Spruce and Pine bolts eight inches in diameter and up, 3.5 and 7 ft. long. For further information apply office Wabash Screen Door Co.
41-3-25

Notice.
We offer you Best Standard Oysters, solid meat, at 25 cents per quart. A No. 1 Oysters, with water added, commonly sold at 50 cents, at 25 cents per quart. This is a good business proposition—less oysters, more sleep, less price. Figure it out yourself.
F. R. REED & Co.

M. E. Church Announcements.
The week of prayer is being observed. Service every evening in the week, except Saturday, at 7:30.
On Sunday next at 10:30 a. m. Rev. Thos. Walker will preach. Regular evening service at 7:30. Preaching by the pastor, Morley S. Pettitt.

Card of Thanks.
We wish to return our heartfelt thanks to the many kind friends and neighbors, also to the G. A. R.'s who so kindly assisted us in the last sickness and death of our beloved wife and mother.

HENRY H. BENNETT,
L. M. BENNETT and FAMILY,
L. F. BENNETT and FAMILY.

Episcopal Church.
Services at St. Augustine's Mission church are as follows: Holy Communion every Sunday at 8:00 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon at 10:30. Sunday School at noon; evening prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m.

On the first Sunday of the month there will be no early Communion, but a late celebration of the Eucharist service instead at 10:30 a. m. Evening prayer is also said Friday afternoons at 5:00 o'clock. Everyone gladly welcomed to all services.
C. M. HINTON, Pastor.

Home Forum Officers.
At a regular meeting of Oneida Forum No. 227 H. F. B. O. Dec. 23, 1899, the following officers were elected:

President—George C. Jewell.
1st Vice-President—Miss Sadie Lee.
2d Vice.—Mrs. Georgiana Wilson.
Secretary—Mrs. Ellen Belanger.
Treasurer—Luther D. Hayford.
His.—Ambrose E. Cole.
Orator—Mrs. Margaret Divers.
Assistant Orator—Charles Perry.
Porter—Simon Belanger.
Guard—Vincent Divers.
Director two years—Chas. Perry.

Rules in Krueger & Co's Gallery After January 1st, 1899.

I. One dollar must be paid in advance at the time of sitting.
II. If exceptions are made, the dollar must be paid before proof can be shown.
III. We allow no one more than two sittings; if more are asked for, fifty cents will be charged.
IV. We will mail no photos out of city unless paid for in advance.
V. We will deliver no part of the order unless whole amount due is paid.

The foregoing may seem strange to some of our citizens, but nevertheless we are compelled to do so, if we desire to run the photo business for another year. A good many people like to see ever so often how they look on paper, and they will get from one to three negatives taken, proofs made, and that's the end of it. They never think of calling around to ask "what is my bill?" They have an idea that plates don't cost anything, say nothing of our time; but just ask any amateur in the city and they will convince you that plates, developer and paper are quite an item. We have in the gallery close to one hundred packages of photographs left on our hands. They were satisfactory and ordered, but by the time the first were finished the money intended for them was used for something else—more of necessity than photographs, and we poor photographers can use the pictures to build fires with, or stick them up, for so far, thanks to some of our good citizens, we have been able to buy kindling wood. Now we don't want to take pictures of anybody, unless they have the money to spare to pay for them, and right here we will say that pictures are made more reasonable here than in a good many cities where there are two or three galleries. C. Krueger & Co. has had business experience in Rhinelander for nearly ten years, and has come to the conclusion after all these years, that the photo business cannot be run successfully under any other plan, and we will not make any exceptions of the above rules after the 1st of January, 1899.

C. KRUEGER & Co.

Merchants State Bank Report.
Semi-annual report of the Merchants State Bank, a Banking Association organized under an act of the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin, entitled "An Act to authorize the business of Banking," approved April 12, 1892, showing a statement of the following items on the morning of the first Monday in January, in the year 1899, before the transaction of any business on that day:

ASSETS.	
Loans and discounts	\$150,801.00
Overdrafts	89.00
U. S. Bonds	11,250.00
Deposits	20,000.00
Real Estate	11,250.00
Other Real Estate	11,250.00
Deposits from Banks and Bankers	86,041.22
Cash Items, viz: checks	2,062.22
Specie	7,141.86
U. S. and National Bank Notes	3,755.00
Total Assets	\$271,027.44
LIABILITIES.	
Capital	\$50,000.00
Surplus	20,000.00
Undivided profits	11,250.00
Due depositors on demand	11,250.00
Due depositors on time	95,855.56
Due to others, not included under either of the above heads	1,012.52
Total Liabilities	\$271,027.44

STATE OF WISCONSIN, ONEIDA COUNTY.

S. H. ALBAN, Vice-President and M. H. Raymond, Cashier of the above named Bank, being severally sworn, do say that they are respectively the Vice-President and Cashier of said Bank, and that the foregoing is in all respects, a true and correct statement of the condition of said Bank on the first Monday, being the 21st day of January, 1899, before the transaction of any business of said bank on the morning of that day, according to the best of their several and respective knowledge and belief, and that the place, where the business of discount and deposit of said Bank is carried on, is Rhinelander, Wisconsin, in the said County of Oneida.

S. H. ALBAN, Vice-President.
M. H. RAYMOND, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to by both deponents before me, this 4th day of January, 1899.
PAUL BROWNE, Notary Public, Oneida County, Wis.

Why Go to Porto Rico or Cuba?

We hear a great deal of talk nowadays relative to the many possibilities and openings offered settlers in our new possessions, Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines. "Distance lends enchantment to the view," and for this reason we overlook the fact that a good deal of our own country is still undeveloped. Take the state of Wisconsin. There are thousands of acres of hardwood farming lands in Northern Wisconsin adjacent to the Wisconsin Central Lines, where a poor man can make a good living and, in time, accumulate savings. Here he can bring up his family and live in peace and comfort in a civilized country.

MANUFACTURERS AND INVESTORS are also offered rich inducements in this section of the state, as the plentifulness of iron ore deposits, beds of clay, kaolin and marl, as well as the immense forests of hardwood timber, make it advantageous to locate various industries. Transportation facilities are of the best, the Wisconsin Central Lines touching all the principal cities of Northern Wisconsin, thus offering quick and cheap transit to the larger markets. Those interested can obtain complete information, pamphlets, maps, etc., by applying to W. H. Killeen, Deputy Land and Industrial Commissioner, Colby & Abbott Building, Milwaukee, Wis. H. F. WHITCOMB, Gen'l Mgr.

BERTRAM JOHNSON, G. F. A.
JAS. C. FORD, Gen'l Pass. Ag't.
Milwaukee, Wis.

Notice to Farmers and Gardeners.
As it is going to be impossible for me to make a house to house canvass, I take this method of informing you that I am Agent for the George K. Highly Seed Farm of Rochester, N. Y., one of the most reliable concerns of the kind in the business.
Now why not buy of a reliable concern and of a reliable agent? Seeds are fully guaranteed and you can get the most reliable goods for your money.
I am to be found at my rooms over the New North office, or will answer all calls by postal card or telephone.
J. A. CUSHMAN, Agent.

Wanted.
Reliable man in this vicinity to open a small office and handle my goods. Position permanent and good pay. If your record is O. K. here is an opening for you. Kindly mention this paper when writing.
A. T. MORRIS,
Cincinnati, O.

Pine, Hemlock and Farm Lands.
Parties desiring to purchase Pine Farm Lands and Hemlock stumpage in Oneida, Lincoln and Langlade counties, for low prices and easy terms address, VAN HUSSE & SMART, Merrill, Wis.

Agents for Wisconsin River Land Co. F1

Blacksmith Outfit for Sale.
Anyone desiring to buy a blacksmith outfit, complete, can secure one, dirt cheap, by calling at the Rhinelander Iron Company's office. If

For Sale.
A set of light delivery bolts for sale cheap. Also a backboard. Inquire at residence of W. H. Gilligan.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
LAND OFFICE AT WAUSAU, WIS., January 3, 1899.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Rhinelander, Wis., on February 11, 1899, viz: Charles W. Dyer, of Rhinelander, Oneida County, Wisconsin, who claims the NW 1/4 Sec. 19, T. 35 N., R. 10 E., S. 10 E. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said land, viz: Claude L. Young, S. Dyer, F. K. Tripp, and Merin Hunter, all of Rhinelander, Wis.
Edgar T. Wheelock, Register.

Take Advantage of This Offer.
The Two-week Minneapolis Tribune, the war novel, Anita, the Cuban Spy, the Panorama of Cuba and the New North, one year for \$1.50

Gunther's Famous Candies

—For Sale at—
C. C. BRONSON & CO.

Brown Street,

Timber Land Act, June 3, 1878—Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office, Wausau, Wis., November 21, 1899.
Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," as amended, all the Public Land State by act of August 6, 1892, James A. Fitzgerald, of Tomahawk, county of Lincoln, State of Wisconsin, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 42, for the purchase of the NW 1/4 Sec. 19, T. 35 N., R. 10 E., and SW 1/4 Sec. 20, T. 35 N., R. 10 E., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at Wausau, Wis., on Tuesday, the 31st day of January, 1899.
He names as witnesses: R. F. Smith, W. L. Myers, Moses LaFevre and John Hagen, all of Rhinelander, Wis. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 31st day of January, 1899.
101-2-24 Edgar T. Wheelock, Register.

Foreclosure Sale.
IN CIRCUIT COURT, ONEIDA COUNTY.
ANN MEAD, Plaintiff.
IDA A. OLSON, GEORGE L. OLSON and D. HAMMILL & Co., Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a judgment of foreclosure and sale made at the Court of the Circuit Court at Rhinelander, Wis., on the 11th day of November, 1897, decreeing the sale of the mortgaged premises described in the judgment, I shall expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash, at the front door of the Court House in the city of Rhinelander, Oneida County, on the 4th day of February, 1899, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day, the mortgaged premises described in the judgment in said action as follows, viz: Lot number 814 (6) of Block number Eleven (11) of the Second Addition to the Village of Rhinelander, Oneida County, Wisconsin, which premises I shall sell as aforesaid for the purpose of paying the said judgment with costs of sale.
Dated December 29, 1899.
SAM S. MILLER, W. T. STRYVEN,
Plaintiff's Attorney, Sheriff.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
LAND OFFICE AT WAUSAU, WIS., December 27, 1899.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN.
IN COUNTY COURT FOR ONEIDA COUNTY.
Notice is hereby given that at the general term of the County Court to be held in and for said County at the Court House in the City of Rhinelander in said County on the 1st Tuesday, it being the 7th day of February A. D. 1899, the following matter will be heard and considered, to-wit: The application of Mary Ed Perkins, guardian, etc. of the minor heirs of M. A. Perkins, deceased, to sell that piece or parcel of real estate belonging to the estate of the said deceased, and described as follows, to-wit: Lots Nos. Nine (9) and ten (10), in Block Number Fourteen (14), in the first addition to the Village (now City) of Rhinelander, in the County of Oneida and State of Wisconsin.
By order of the Court.
J. M. HARRISMAN, County Judge.
Dated December 24, 1899. 61-29-12

Timber Land Act, June 3, 1878. Notice for Publication.

United States Land Office, Wausau, Wis., Nov. 7, 1899.
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He names as witnesses: Maurice L. Fitzgerald, John W. Kelley, Napoleon Pratt and Ed Metzger, all of Tomahawk, Wis. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 14th day of January, 1899.
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STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY COURT FOR ONEIDA COUNTY.
In the matter of the estate of J. M. Harrisman, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that the claims and demands of all persons against the estate of George C. Harrisman, deceased, late of Oneida County, will be received, examined and adjusted by the County Court of Oneida County, at a special term of said Court, to be held at the Court House, at Rhinelander, in the County of Oneida, on the 24th day of July, A. D. 1899. About six months from and after the 22nd day of December, A. D. 1899, is the time limited for creditors of said George C. Harrisman, deceased, to present their claims to said Court for examination and allowance.
Dated Dec. 22, 1899.
By order of the Court.
J. M. HARRISMAN, County Judge.

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LOCAL TIME TABLES.

Chicago & Northwestern R'y

NORTH BOUND.
No. 11-Daily 3:50 a. m.
No. 17-Ashland Mail and Express 1:35 p. m.
SOUTH BOUND.
No. 4-Daily 11:25 a. m.
No. 2-Ashland Mail and Express 11:11 a. m.
H. C. BRADGER, Agent.

Minneapolis, St. Paul & South St. Marie R'y

EAST BOUND.
Atlantic Limited 1:50 a. m. Daily
Accommodation 7:25 p. m. Daily.
WEST BOUND.
Pacific Limited 2:10 a. m. Daily
Accommodation 6:55 a. m. Daily.

Some line trains arrive and depart from C. & N. St. Paul depot in Minneapolis and Cedar Rapids, St. Paul, on and after Nov. 19, 1901. Close connections for Tom Lake, Eau Claire, Duluth, Marquette, Menominee, Wausau, Stevens Point, Madison, Chicago and beyond and all points on Wisconsin Central R'y. A. E. HODGSON.

RHINELANDER LODGE No. 212, F. & A. M. St. James Block. Regular communication first and third Tuesday of each month. H. C. BRADGER, W. M. A. L. DUNN, Sec. H. C. BRADGER, W. M.

RHINELANDER CHAPTER No. 74, R. A. M. St. James Block. Regular communication second and fourth Tuesday of each month. W. R. LASELLE, H. P. A. TAYLOR, Sec. W. R. LASELLE, H. P.

L. O. F. Court Juarez, 1975.

Meetings at L. O. F. Hall second and fourth Tuesday of each month. ALEX. JENSEN, C. L. S. R. STOSER, S. S.

W. E. Dodge, of Wausau, was here Monday.

Senator Rhinlander was in the city last Friday.

M. G. Bolger, of Menomonie, was in Rhinlander last week.

H. J. Fall came over from Hudson last week for a short stay.

D. J. O'Connor, of Eagle River, spent a few days here last week.

Dave Jenkinson was down from Minocqua last Saturday on business.

A. S. Pierce went to Lac du Flambeau Monday for a few days on lumber business.

Attorney Max Sells, of Florence, was in this city Monday and Tuesday on business.

Anyone desiring to pay their subscription in wood can do so, without fear of offending.

Sylvester H. Brady, an old resident of Clintonville, spent several days of last week in Rhinlander.

A. O. Hilgeman, of the Rhinlander Brewing Co., made a business trip to Minneapolis last Friday.

W. M. Clark, of this city, and brother Charles, of Woodboro, returned Monday from Wausau where they spent Sunday with relatives.

The Ladies Aid of the Congregational church will meet at the home of Mrs. R. V. Day on Wednesday, Jan. 11, 1899, at 5 o'clock. Business to begin promptly at 5:20.

Coughing injuries and inflames sore lungs. One Minute Cough Cure loosens the cold, allays coughing and heals quickly. The best cough cure for children. J. J. REARDON.

Mrs. Frank Maybee and children, of Lac du Flambeau, spent the holiday season with Mrs. Maybee's mother, Mrs. Sawyer, on the North side.

Att'y Geo. O'Connor was over from Crandon Saturday, transacting legal business. George has two murder cases on his hands to be tried at the next term of the circuit court in Forest county.

The smallest things may exert the greatest influence. De Witt's Little Early Risers are unequalled for overcoming constipation and liver troubles. Small pill, best pill, safe pill. J. J. REARDON.

Lewis Moody came up from his camp near Monico Saturday and spent Sunday with friends in the city. Lewis says they are getting along fine with their logging job and will commence hauling this week.

Paul Perry, of Columbus, Ga., suffered agony for thirty years, and then cured his Piles by using De Witt's Little Early Risers. It heals injuries and skin diseases like magic. J. J. REARDON.

Geo. Clayton started up his saw mill last Saturday for an all winter's run. It will take about a week to get the pond thawed out so things will run smoothly. Mr. Clayton expects to keep his mill humming from now until it freezes up next fall, as it is stocked to its full capacity.

La Grippe is again epidemic. Every precaution should be taken to avoid it. Its specific cure is One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Shepard, Publisher Agricultural Journal and Advertiser, Ellen, Mo., says: "No one will be disappointed in using One Minute Cough Cure for La Grippe." Pleasant to take, quick to act. J. J. REARDON.

Mrs. Geo. W. Peers is visiting friends in St. Paul.

P. Shay, of Armstrong Creek, was in the city last week on business.

Miss Kittie Early, of Merrill, is the guest of Mrs. Peter Seibel this week.

G. F. Sanborn, the Eagle River attorney, was in the city last week on business.

Miss Newland, one of Minocqua's young ladies, spent a portion of last week in this city.

Mike Holland was down from camp Saturday and spent Sunday with his family.

Attorney Curtis, of Merrill, was in the city Monday and Tuesday on legal business.

J. M. Kewnan, of Ely, Minn., arrived in Rhinlander last week for a visit with his family.

Henry Graef, one of Monico's leading business men, was a caller at this office Tuesday morning.

Fred Herrick, of the Flambeau Lumber Co., Lac du Flambeau, was a Rhinlander visitor last Saturday.

Last Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Kemp entertained a few friends at their home on Pelham St.

D. J. Murray, manager of the big laundry and machine shops at Wausau, spent a short time here last week.

For Sale—Green hardwood, birch and maple. For particulars call at Second Hand store, Brown street.

Miss Edna Hummer left Monday for Hazelhurst where she will visit the balance of the week with her uncle and aunt.

Miss May McDonald returned to her school duties at Saxon Monday, after spending the holidays with relatives and friends here.

Order storm windows and stove repairs at Clark & Lennon's and while there ask to see the 20 calibre U. S. rifle which is being sold this week at \$16.25.

Miss Ethel Lasele, who has been visiting with her parents here during the holidays, returned to her studies in the Chicago Conservatory of Music Monday morning.

Buy one of the famous "Trilby" stores at Clark & Lennon's. Cheapest store in the market. They are selling at \$7.00 and \$8.00 according to grade. Also take a look at the "Hickory" heater which is going at \$10.50.

Miss Frances Raymond, who has been lying very ill for several days at her home in the Sixth Ward, and whose condition at times has been most critical, is reported somewhat improved in health, much to the gratification of her friends.

R. F. Jilison was in the city on business Monday. His countenance wore a pleased expression owing to the fact that Monico is again the headquarters for the Watersmeet passenger train. When questioned as to the report of his taking the management of the Morgan House when that hostelry is in shape for occupancy, Mr. Jilison stated that with the train back at Monico he was satisfied to remain and do business there.

To insure a happy new year, keep the liver clear and the body vigorous by using De Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. J. J. REARDON.

DeWitt S. Johnson, Jr., who left here about a month ago to take a position as clerk in the office of the American Express Co., at Duluth, is again in Rhinlander, having accepted a situation in the store of C. M. & W. W. Fendler as bookkeeper, the business training in a general store being more to his taste than the Express Co. clerkship.

D. A. McMillan and Dan McLeod wrestled at St. Paul last week for a purse of \$200.00. McMillan lost the match. He was thrown three times straight by McLeod, the hammer lock being responsible for each fall. After the match both men issued challenges for matches to take place within two weeks time. McMillan weighed 200 pounds and McLeod 155. The latter appeared to be in much the better condition.

The delivery horse used by Stephen Bellie, proprietor of the Model Steam Laundry, suffered a mishap last Saturday which necessitated its being shot. The horse was standing in front of the laundry when the team of Vessey & Handell dashed up and frightened it, the result being a runaway in which the horse and wagon came out second best. The wagon was demolished and the horse finally fell and broke his leg. R. M. Douglas shot the animal and put it out of its agony.

Kuhl's salve at Anderle & Hinmann's.

The Dancing Club will give a dance Friday night.

Miss Lena Prechel, of Crandon, is the guest of Mrs. Sam Cole this week.

Hand sleds for the boys and girls at low prices at Clark & Lennon's hardware store.

C. S. Melndoe and Miss Mable Chace attended the Elks' party at Wausau Friday night.

The Misses Janette Kyle and Jessie Shepherd returned last Saturday morning from their visits home.

Mrs. Sarah Melndoe, of Wausau, is visiting her niece Mrs. Kate Melndoe this week. She arrived Monday morning.

R. J. LaSelle returned to his studies in the Wausau Business College Monday after spending the holidays with his parents here.

Messrs. Ernest McKeljohn, Harry Kemp and the Misses Gersha Vomburgh and Eva Kemp visited friends in the Lago district Monday night.

A few more "Trilby" and "Hickory" stoves left at Clark & Lennon's. Call and get one while the prices are too low to quote.

George Vide, who has been firing for Thomas Malady on the North-Western yard engine for the past six months, left for Kaukauna yesterday.

Attorney Levi J. Billings will not return to Madison but hereafter he will attend strictly to his law practice. All desiring his services can find him at his office in Gray's block, 229 Brown street. In addition to his practice in State Courts, he is prepared to attend to all matters entrusted to him in the United States Courts. Mr. Billings has been re-appointed United States Commissioner, and is also prepared to give information and advice, draw petitions, conduct cases and procure final discharges, under the recent United States Bankrupt Law. Call and see him.

The morning passenger train which has been running between this city and Watersmeet, Mich., for several weeks past over the North-Western road was taken off Monday, the patronage given it not being sufficient to reimburse the company for the cost of maintaining the service. It was put on as an experiment and was run as a special, having no position on the time cards of the road. In order to give the train a more thorough test several cars loaded with lumber were carried but the lightness of the engine made a train of any size too heavy a load and consequently this plan was not feasible. The train and crew will make Monico Junction headquarters as heretofore.

For Sale—At a sacrifice, fifteen (15) shares of stock in Lewis Hardware Company. Will sell shares singly or wholly. For particulars enquire of B. W. McCARRY.

The annual meeting of the directors of the Merchants State Bank was held Monday evening, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: S. H. Alban, president; E. O. Brown, vice president; M. H. Raymond, cashier. A. W. Shelton was appointed one of the directors. A dividend of 20 percent was declared, which is a very good showing.

A gentleman who has made a special study of the Philippine Islands, says of Luzon: "Not more than one-third of the arable land in the valleys of Luzon has been brought under cultivation. The mountains are rich in the most valuable timber to be found anywhere in the world. While some of the valleys have been denuded of the forests, Spanish official obstruction has effectively spared the valuable trees in the interior. It is not a bad thing that it required about two years' effort and a large fee in order to get a license to fell a single tree, and a heavy duty before it could be exported." That is a good rule to keep in force, and if persisted in the man who thinks of operating there will put up an intermittent saw mill and hire his labor by the day, one day at a time.

Horrible agony is caused by Piles, Burns and Skin Diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of worthless imitations. J. J. REARDON.

County publishers receive subscriptions now and then from city firms who can have no interest in the local news of the paper. This paragraph in the New York Times may explain the reason for these foreign subscriptions. "A wholesale grocer in this city, who has become rich at the business, says that his rule is that when he sells a bill of goods on credit to immediately subscribe for the local paper of his debtor. So long as his customer advertised liberally he rested; but as soon as he began to contract his advertising space he took the fact as evidence that there was trouble ahead and invariably went for the debtor. He said: 'The man who is too poor to make his business known is too poor to do business. The withdrawal of an advertisement is evidence of weakness that business men are not slow to act upon.'"

These are dangerous days for the health, Croup, colds and throat troubles lead rapidly to consumption. A bottle of One Minute Cough Cure used at the right time will preserve life, health and a large amount of money. Pleasant to take; children like it. J. J. REARDON.

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CHAPTER I.

"Life is full of ups and downs," mused the colonel as he laid on the littered desk before him an official communication just received from department headquarters, "especially army life in Texas."

"Now, what are you philosophizing about?" asked his second in command, a curly major, glancing over the top of the latest home paper, three weeks old that day.

"Do remember, Picott, that little cad that was court-martialed at San Antonio in 1868 for quadrupling his pay account? He married the widow of old Alamo Hendrix that winter. He's worth half a million today, is running for congress and will probably be on the military committee next year, while here's Lawrence, who was judge advocate of the court that tried him, gone all to smash." And the veteran officer commanding the 11th infantry and the big post at Fort Worth glanced warily along into the adjoining office, where a clerk was asserting the papers on the adjutant's desk.

"It's the saddest case I ever heard of," said Major Brooks, tossing aside the Toledo Blade and tripping up over his own, which he had thoughtfully propped between his legs as he took his seat and thoughtlessly ignored as he left it. "Damn that sinner—and the service generally!" he growled as he recovered his balance and tramped to the window. "I'd almost be willing to quit it as Picott did if I could see my way to a moderate competence anywhere out of it. Lawrence was as good a soldier as we had in the Twelfth, and yet what can you do or say? The mischief's done." And, beating the devil's tattoo on the window, the major stood gloomily gazing out over the parade.

"It isn't Lawrence himself I'm so—Orderly, shut that door," cried the chief, whirling around in his chair. "And tell those clerks I want it kept shut until the adjutant comes, and you stay out on the porch. It isn't Lawrence I'm so sorely troubled about, Brooks. He has ability and could pick up and do well eventually, but he's utterly discouraged and swamped. What's to become, though, of that poor child Ada and his little boy?"

"God knows," said Brooks sadly. "I've got five of my own to look after, and you're not far from it. No use talking of adopting them, even if Lawrence would listen, and he never would listen to anything or anybody—they tell me," he added after a minute's reflection. "I don't know it myself. It's what Burton and Canker and some of these fellows told me on the Republican last summer. I hadn't seen him since Gettysburg until we met here."

"Burton and Canker is—exterminated," said the colonel hotly. "I never met Burton, and never want to. As for Canker, by gad, there's another absurdity. They put him in the cavalry because consolidation left no room for him with us. What do you suppose they'll do with him in the 11th?"

"The Lord knows, as I said before. He never rode anything but a hobby in his life. I don't wonder Lawrence couldn't tolerate preaching from him. But what I don't understand is who made the allegation. What's his offense? Every one knows that he's in debt and trouble and that he's had hard lines and nothing else ever since the war, but the court acquitted him of all blame in that money business."

"And now to make room for fellows with friends at court," burst in the colonel wrathfully. "He and other poor devils with nothing but a fighting record and a family to provide for are turned loose on a year's pay, which they're to have after things straighten out as to their accounts with the government. Now just look at Lawrence. Orphaned and quartermaster's stores hopelessly looted!"

"Hush!" interrupted Brooks, starting back from the window. "Hush he is now."

Assembly of the guard details had sounded a few moments before, and all over the sunny parade on its westward side, in front of the various barracks, little squads of soldiers armed and in full uniform were standing awaiting the next signal, while the porches of the low wooden buildings beyond were dotted with groups of comrades, lazily looking on. Out on the greenward, lined and level, crisscrossed with gravel walks, the land had taken its station, marked by the tall drum major in his huge bearskin shako. From the lofty flagstaff in the center of the parade the national colors were fluttering in the mountain breeze that stole down from the snowy peaks hemming the view to the northwest and stirred the leaves of the cottonwoods and the drooping branches of the willows in the fold of the rushing stream sweeping by the southern limits of the garrison. Within the inclosure, sacred to military use, it was all the same old familiar picture, the stereotyped fashion of the frontier fort of the earliest seventies—dull hued barracks on one side or on two, dull hued, broad porched cottages—the officers' quarters—on another, dull hued offices, storerooms, corral walls, scattered about the outskirts, a dull hued, scumby earth on every side; semicircular prairie beyond, spanned by pallid sky or snow tipped mountains; a twisting, winding road or two, entering the post on one front, issuing

at the other, and tapering off in sinuous curves until lost in the distance; a few scattered ranches in the stream valley; a collection of sheds, stables and hells surrounding a bustling establishment known as the store, down by the ford—the center of civilization, apparently, for thither trended every roadway, path, track or trail visible to the naked eye.

Here in front of the office a solitary cavalry horse was tethered. Yonder at the outer's, early as it was in the day, a dozen quadrupeds, mules, muntangs, or Indian ponies, were blinking in the sunline. Dogs immemorially sprawled in the sand. Bipedal lizards lazily about or squatted on the steps on the edge of the wooden porch, some in broad sombreroes, some in scalp lock and blanket—none in the garb of civil life as seen in the nearest cities, and the nearest was 400 or 500 miles away. Out on the parade were bits of lively color, the dresses of freckle-faced children to the east, the stripes and facings of the cavalry and artillery at the west, for, by some odd freak of the fortunes of war, here, away out at Fort Worth, had come a crack light battery of the old army, which with Brooks' battalion of the cavalry and headquarters, staff, band and six companies of the 11th infantry, made up the garrison—the largest then maintained in the department immediately by Sheridan as only recent official record showed. It was the winter of 1870-1, as Black and droopy a time as ever the army knew, for congress had dispersed 45 regiments into half the number and slashed all hopes of promotion—about the only thing the soldier has to live for.

And that wasn't the blackest thing about the business by any means. The war had developed the fact that we had thousands of battalion commanders for whom the nation had no place in peacetime, and scores of them, in the hope and promise of a life employment in an honorable profession, accepted the tender of lieutenantcies in the regular army in 1866, the war having broken up all their vocations at home, and now, having given four years more to the military service—taken all these years out of their lives that might have been given to establishing themselves in business—they were obliged to choose between voluntarily quitting the army with a bonus of a year's pay and remaining with no hope of advancement. Most of them, despairing of finding employment in civil life, concluded to stay; so other methods of getting rid of them were devised, and, to the amazement of the army and the dismay of the victims, a list was published of officers "rendered supernumerary" and summarily discharged.

And this was how it happened that a gallant, brilliant and glad hearted fellow, the favorite staff officer of a glorious corps commander who fell at the head of his men after three years of equally glorious service, found himself in faraway Texas this blackest of black Fridays, suddenly turned loose on the world and without hope or home.

Cruel was no word for it. Entering the army before the war, one of the few gifted civilians commissioned because they loved the service and then had friends to back them, Edgar Lawrence had joined the cavalry in Texas, where the first thing he did was to fall heels over head in love with his captain's daughter, and a runaway match resulted. Poor Kitty Tyrrell! Poor Ned Lawrence! Two more impractical people never lived. She was an army girl with aspirations, much sweetness and little sense. He was a whole souled, generous, lavish fellow. Both were extravagant, she particularly so. They were sorely in debt when the war broke out, and he instead of going in for the volunteers was induced to become aide-de-camp to his old colonel, who passed him on to another when he retired, and when the war was half over Lawrence was only a captain of staff, and captain he came out at the close. Friends of course he had, but what are friends but empty titles? What profit it a man to be called colonel if he have only the pay of a sold? Hundreds of men who eagerly sought his aid or influence during the war "held over him" at the end of it. Another general took him on his staff as aide-de-camp, where Lawrence was invaluable. Kitty dearly loved city life, parties, balls, operas and theaters, but Lawrence grew fonder and prouder with care and worry. The general went the way of all flesh, and Lawrence to Texas, unable to get another staff billet. They set him at court martial duty at San Antonio for several months, for Texas furnished culprits by the score in the days that followed the war, and many an unassuming army career was cut short by the tribunal of which Captain and Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence was judge advocate, but all the time he had a skeleton in his own closet that by and by rattled away out.

Time was in the war days when many of the men of the headquarters court lanked their money with the beloved and popular aide. He had nearly \$1,200 when the long color aspired the Wilderness in 1864. It was still with him when he was sent only sent back to Washington with the body of his beloved chief, but every cent was gone before he got there, stolen from him on the steamer from Acquia creek, and never a trace was found of it thereafter. For years he was paying that off, making it good in drillets, but while

he was serving faithfully in Texas, commanding a scout that took him miles and miles away over the Llano Estacado, there were insidious souls who worked the story of his indebtedness to enlisted men for all it was worth, and, aided by the complaints of some of their number, to his grievous disadvantage. He came home from a brilliant dash after the Kiowas to find himself complimented in orders and confronted by charges in one and the same breath. The court acquitted him and "cut" his accusers, but the shame and humiliation of it all seemed to prey upon his spirits, and then Kitty Tyrrell died.

"If that had only happened years before," said the colonel, "it would have been far better for Lawrence, for she conscientiously believed herself the best wife in the world and spent every cent of his income in dressing up to her conception of the character." Once the most dashing and dapper of captains, poor Ned ran down at the heel and seemed unable to rally. New commanders came to the department, to his regiment, and new officials to the war office—men "who knew not Joseph," and when the dragnet was cast into the whirlpool of army names and army reputations it was set for scandal, not for service, and the old story of those unpaid hundreds was enmeshed and served up seasoned with the latest spice obtainable from the dealers rebeked of that original court.

And, in when the list of victims reached Fort Worth in the reorganization days, old Frazier, the colonel, burst into a string of anathemas and more than one good woman into a passion of tears, for poor Ned Lawrence, at that moment long days' marches away toward the Rio Bravo, was declared supernumerary and mustered out of the service of the United States with one year's pay—pay which he could not hope to get until every government account was satisfactorily straightened, and this, too, at a time when the desertion of one sergeant and the death of another revealed the fact that his stone-bronches had been systematically robbed and that he was hopelessly short in many a costly item charged against him. That heartless order was a month old when the stricken soldier reached his post and then and there for the first time learned his fate.

Yes, they had tried to track it to him. Letters full of sympathy were written and sent by couriers far to the north; others took them on the Concho trail. Brooks and Frazier both wrote to San Antonio messages, thence to be wired to Washington, imploring reconsideration, but the deed was done. Astute advisers of the war secretary clinched the matter by the prompt recommendation of others to fill the vacancies just created, and once there could be no appeal. The detachment led by Brevet Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence, so later said the Texas papers, had covered itself with glory, but in its pursuit of the fleeing Indians it had gone far to the northeast and so came home by a route no man



"Hush!" interrupted Brooks. "Here he is now."

had dreamed of, and Lawrence, spurring eagerly ahead, rode in at night to find his motherless little ones to his heart and found loving army women aiding their faithful old nurse in ministering to them, but read disaster in the fearful eyes and faltering words that welcomed him.

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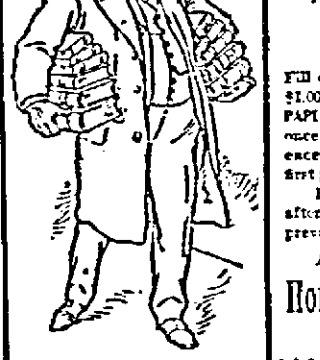
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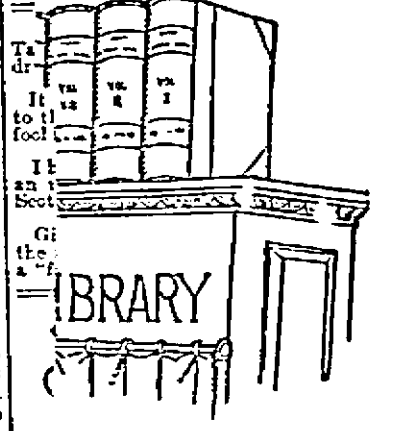
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